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E.O.11652: N/A
TAGS: ITRN, IS
SUBJECT: CIVAIR--CANCELLATION OF TWA SERVICES

REF: TEL AVIV 4662

1. REPS OF FOREIGN AIRLINES MET WITH MINISTER OF TRANSPORT YAAKOBI EVENING OF AUGUST 15 TO EXPLAIN WHY THEY UNABLE TO FLY SPECIAL EL AL ROUTE AND TO REQUEST THAT GOI PUBLIC STATEMENTS REFLECT UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR POSITION. YAAKOBI ONCE AGAIN TOOK LINE THAT EL AL ROUTE WAS SAFE AND THAT FOREIGN AIRLINES SHOULD NOT HESITATE TO FLY IT. HE ADDED THAT AIRLINE REPS SHOULD TRY TO INFLUENCE THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO APPROVE USE OF THIS ROUTE. ON PUBLIC RELATIONS QUESTION, YAAKOBI SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THERE WAS NO POLITICAL MOTIVATION BEHIND DECISIONS TO STOP FLIGHTS AND THAT HE WOULD INSTRUCT CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS NOT TO MAKE FURTHER PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON THIS QUESTION.

2. FRANKFURT(TWA) TOLD US THAT DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION
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RABIN HAD INFORMED HIM THAT THE INTENDED TO CALL FAA DIRECTOR IN BRUSSELS WITH VIEW OF OBTAINING USG APPROVAL

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FOR TWA TO USE SPECIAL ROUTE SOUTH OF CYPRUS. FRANKFURT
REPLIED THAT RABIN WAS OF COURSE FREE TO DO SO BUT HE
DOUBTED THAT TWA WOULD BE PREPARED TO FLY THAT ROUTE.

3.TWA PLANES ARE STILL ON GROUND, BUT EFFORT IS BEING
MADE TO FERRY PLANES OUT VIA EGYPT WITHOUT PASSENGERS
AS WAS DONE THREE WEEKS AGO. ACCORDING TO TWA, GREEKS
TODAY OPENED SEGMENT OF THEIR AIR SPACE WHICH PERMITS
FLIGHTS FROM ATHENS TO CAIRO. TWO AIR FRANCE PLANES
WITH PASSENGERS DEPARTED YESTERDAY AS ANNOUNCED ALTHOUGH
AIR FRANCE HAS NOT SAID THAT IT IS RESUMING ITS REGULAR
SERVICE VIA SPECIAL EL AL ROUTE.
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